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CONTAINER AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE  
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**APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING TYPE OF LIQUID IN A CONTAINER**

**AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE APPARATUS**

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